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Pamela Monroe, Administrator
NH Site Evaluation Committee
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RE: NH Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2015-06: Joint Application of Northern Pass Transmission, LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy for a Certificate of Site and Facility

Dear Site Evaluation Committee:

The City of Franklin respectfully submits the following in support of the Applicant's proposed procedural schedule and asks that the SEC adopt said procedural schedule.

In this matter, the Applicant has proposed a schedule that is consistent with the statutory scheme. Having reviewed the Applicant's proposed schedule, the City of Franklin notes that the Applicant does not seek expedited treatment of its application. Rather, the Applicant's proposed schedule sets forth an appropriate time frame for the SEC to evaluate this application while also adhering to the statutory time frame enacted by the Legislature and incorporated into the administrative rules by the SEC through its rulemaking process. In so doing, the Applicant's proposed procedural schedule respects the rights of all parties to this proceeding and delineates a reasonable time frame to efficiently evaluate the siting of this new energy facility without undue delay, which is in the public interest.

In sum, the City of Franklin supports the Applicant's proposed procedural schedule and requests that the SEC adopt the Applicant's schedule. The City of Franklin looks forward to the beneficial, transformational change that this project will bring to the city and supports the SEC's timely and efficient evaluation of this application.

Very truly yours,

Elizabeth A. Dragon
City Manager

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